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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 7 of this paper;

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.